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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

LUCA BRAMBILLA ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/758,515

Filed: January 15, 2004

For: PRODUCTION OF HETEROLOGOUS
PROTEINS FROM ZYGOSACCHAROMYCES
BAILII

Group Art Unit: 1636

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 24, 2004**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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December 21, 2004

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including December 24, 2004, in which to respond to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$120 is enclosed, which is the process fee for a one-month extension of time.

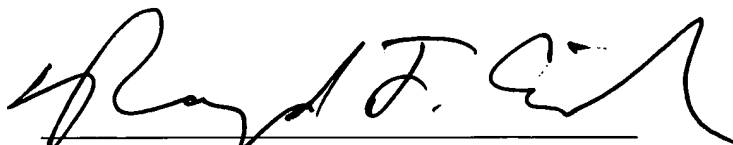
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Respectfully submitted,

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